Harpswell Conservation Commission Minutes for Workshop Meeting, January 20, 2009 Municipal Office Building, 263 Mountain Road, Harpswell, Maine 04079

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Maryann Nahf at 3:05 PM.

Members present: Mary Ann Nahf (chair), Anne Perry (secretary), Tony Barrett, Burr Taylor, Deirdre Strachan. Absent: Ann Nemrow, Don Jones

Also present: Carol Tukey (Town Planner)

Minutes of the January 13 meeting were approved as amended by Tony and Maryann. Under 2c, delete sentence about Harpswell Business Association.

1. Committee Reports.

Composters. Fred at the Recycling Center may wish to do away with presales and order enough to fill estimated demand.

- **2. Open Space Plan Outreach.** The Town Report for 2008 will feature the OSP on its cover. Discussion of which pictures to submit.
 - **a. Anchor Q&A**. Maryann will finalize using Tony's comments, and send to Anchor.
- **b. Focus Area Property Owners.** HCC members were assigned to the property owners of 20 acres or more in the Focus areas. They will work in pairs where possible. A few owners of under 20 acres were added. Non-residents were deleted from the list. The people on this list will receive a prep letter saying we will call them, and offering to visit if they wish.. Another list of all 800 of the Focus Area property owners will receive another letter explaining Focus Areas, why they need it, what they mean to them. Deirdre will draft the letters and send around for comments.
 - **c. Other Outreach.** Discussion of TV Presentation. Burr: most important ideas to get across Why do we need it? How does it affect me? He will draw up a script for comments. Alternatives: shortened version of the Power Point presentation; Roundtable with HCC and Dave Chipman; Q&A from brochure.
 - **4. Other Business.** Interest expressed in the 2-24-09 and 2-25-09 Eelgrass Conference. Deirdre will check on cost for individual days.

Adjourned 5:10 PM Respectfully submitted, Anne Perry, Secretary.

Next meetings/dates: Workshop **January 27**, 3:00 PM; Harpswell Business Association presentation - **February 19**; Vernal Pool training **February 23**.